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I feel that the proposed settlement is lacking in very important ways.

One desirable goal is to allow vendors to create an environment in UNIX style operating systems which allow windows applications to run outside the Microsoft controlled environment. The proposed settlement does nothing to implement this.

The Proposed solution restricts information released to be used "for the sole purpose of interoperating with a Windows Operating System Product". This prohibits innovators from using Microsoft technical specification information for the purpose of writing UNIX or Linux based systems that run Windows programs. You are locking windows programs into the Microsoft owned environment - making stronger their monopoly.

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